

Northern Mallee LLEN Welcomes New Leadership and Looks to the Future with Strategic Focus

The Northern Mallee Local Learning and Employment Network (NMLLEN) is entering an exciting new phase under the leadership of its recently appointed Executive Officer, Nat Mouvet. Since taking on the role just over two months ago, Nat has been actively involved in strengthening community connections and expanding pathways for young people in education and employment.

Reflecting on the leadership transition, Nat said, *"I am incredibly grateful for the foundation Rod Martin built during his six years of service, and I want to thank Dale Harvey for stepping in as Acting Executive Officer. Dale ensured a seamless transition, and I'm excited to take our work to the next level."*

Nat has quickly engaged with key events and stakeholders, including the Industry Round Table Event on 16 October, which brought together schools and industry leaders to discuss technology, lab skills, and work-based learning. *"It was a great opportunity to bridge the gap between education and industry, sparking conversations about future career pathways,"* Nat said.



She also participated in the STEM Idols Clean Energy event and collaborated with local leaders through the Monash University Rural Allied Health Training Plan, gaining valuable insights into local industry needs and how NMLLEN can support young people's career connections.

Supporting Nat is a diverse and experienced board, including NMLLEN Chair, Anne Mansell (Former CEO, Dried Fruits Australia), Charmaine Calis, NMLLEN Deputy Chair (Acting CEO, MASP), Brett Millington, NMLLEN Treasurer (CEO of SuniTAFE) and Peter O'Donnell, NMLLEN Secretary (Executive Director, Southern Cross Farms) among many others as well as a small, dedicated team of staff members.

Raised on a 15-acre sultana block in Red Cliffs and with over 31 years of experience in education, Nat's deep ties to the region are clear. *"Growing up in an agricultural community and having been exposed to developing industries in rural and regional Victoria as part of my principal role, I've seen firsthand the benefits of connecting education with local industries"* she said.

As Northern Mallee LLEN continues to expand its initiatives, the organisation remains committed to fostering strong partnerships and creating meaningful career pathways for young people.

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